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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
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05/04/2007: Look for operators Filip/ON4AEO, Kath/ON7BK, Danie/ZS6VWD and Elize/ZS6EMH to be QRV from Swaziland as 3DA0FC, April 5-9th. Activity will be on the HF bands, CW and SSB. QSL via ON4CJK, direct (Jos? Duyck, Molenakker 56, 8740 Egem, Belgium) or by the bureau. Further information can be found at www.3da0fc.be/ and www.filipstattooshop.be/swaziland [Tnx NG3K]

05/04/2007: Mart, DL6UAA will be active again as 3B8MM from Mauritius Island (AF-049) starting April 5th, for a few weeks. He will operate mostly CW, but will also give SSTV a try (14230 kHz). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

05/04/2007: ZS1RA, ZS1ZL, ZS1APB, ZS1ROY and ZS1FJ will be active from Lesotho between April 5-12th. They will operate (requested call sign 7P8DX) from the north border escarpment of the Drakensburg Range (3,000 metres a.s.l.). Plans are to operate with yagis, V-beams and hopefully three stations on the air at the same time. [Tnx 425 DX News]

06/04/2007: Roger, MW0IDX/p plans to activate two summits for the SOTA (Summits on the Air Award). He will start around 0930z from Cyrn-y-Brain (SOTA GW/NW-043, 565m, 2 points, WW Loc. IO83JA) and then around 1130z from Moel y Gamelin (SOTA GW/NW-042, 578m, 2 points, WW Loc. IO83JA), both located in the North Wales region. Activity will be on 7.031-cw, 10.117-cw and 14.061-cw. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

07/04/2007: Ricardo, DM2RG/p plans to activate two summits for the SOTA (Summits on the Air Award). He will start around 0800z from Kohlhaukuppe (SOTA DM/SX-016, 786m, 8 points, WW Loc. JO60VR) followed by Kahleberg (SOTA DM/SX-003, 905m, 10 points, WW Loc. JO60UR) starting 1130z, both located in the Saxony region. Activity will be on 7.032-cw, 10.117-cw and 7.090-ssb. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

07/04/2007: This Saturday April 7th, Jacques, F1HRU/p will finish the activation of the Castle of Muscadet (DFCF 33-178) [7 miss QSOs], then he will activate the Castle of Beauval (DFCF 33-179), commune Bassens (CP 33530), starting around 0800 standard times on 80m, then on 40m. Department Gironde (DDFM 33), Province of Aquitaine (DPF 02). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F1HRU]

07/04/2007: Fran?ois/F5JNE and Gerard/F6ICG will be active April 7th as F5JNE/p from the Castle of Orbigny (DFCF 89-289), located in the canton [county] of Avallon (DDCF 89-05), City of Pontaubert (CP 89200), Deprtment Yonne (DDFM 89) and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). Activity will start around 0600z on 80m, then QSY to 40m, CW and SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx F5NQL]

07/04/2007: Jean-Marc, F5SGI will be operating as F5SGI/p from Groix Island (EU-048, AT-012 for the French Islands Award, WLOTA LH-0050), April 7-13th. Activity will be on all HF bands, propagation permitting, mainly in CW. QSL via F5SGI, either direct or via the French REF-Union bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

07/04/2007: Look for Laurent, F8BBL/p to be QRV April 7th from Peyre Brune summit (SOTA F/SO-002, 274m, 1 point, WW Loc. JN04MO, starting around 0700 UTC. Activity will be on the HF bands, CW and SSB, running 5 watts into wires and a walkabout antenna. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

07/04/2007: Look for IR8DX to be aired on 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB, CW and RTTY from Santo Janni (EU-144, IIA PZ-001), April 7-11th. QSL via IK8VRH. [Tnx 425 DX News]

07/04/2007: Jim, KA3UNQ (ARLHS member #278) will be active April 7-9th for the first 3 days of the ARLHS Spring Lights QSO Party from various lighthouses and islands. He plans to activate a number (maybe 10 or more) lighthouses on and around the two big islands in southern Rhode Island, Aquidneck Island (NA-031, USi RI-006S), and Conanicut Island (NA-031, USi RI-007S). This will include activations of multiple lighthouses from one central location and/or single light operations. His tentative schedule is as follows - Saturday, April 7: Aquidneck Island (NA-031, RI-006S, Newport county), Rhode Island; Goat Island (NA-032, USi RI-003S, Newport county) and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-548, WW Loc. FN41HM), Rose Island (USi RI-004, Newport county) and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-703), Gull Rocks lighthouse (ARLHS USA-362), Lightship Brenton Reef (ARLHS USA-1129), Brenton Reef Light Tower (ARLHS USA-082) and Ida Lewis Rock/Lime Rock lighthouse (ARLHS USA-398). Sunday, April 8: Conanicut Island (NA-031, USi RI-007S, Newport county), Rhode Island; Beavertail lighthouse (ARLHS USA-043, WW Loc. FN41HK), Whale Rock lighthouse (ARLHS USA-883 [Historic]), Dutch Island lighthouse (ARLHS USA-250) and Plum Beach lighthouse (ARLHS USA-604). Monday, April 9: Bristol Ferry lighthouse (ARLHS USA-087), Hog Island Shoal lighthouse (ARLHS USA-373, WW Loc. FN41IP), Prudence Island (NA-031, USi RI-008S, Newport county) and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-675, WW Loc. FN41IO) ((Maybe!)) and Sakonnet Point LH/USA-718, WW Loc. FN41JK) ((If time permits)). Jim will try to be on the air each day prior to 1400z, starting out on 40m, then progressing up to 20m, then 17m, SSB only. QSL information: Send an SASE to Jim Elliot, 1722 Underwood Road, Gambrills, MD 21054-1828 USA. For multiple contacts, send all QSO information on one card or a separate sheet of paper with the SASE. If you do manage multiple contacts, you might want to send a business size envelope to accommodate all the cards you will be getting back. [Tnx KA3UNQ]

07/04/2007: A group of operators from Antwerp will be active as PA/ON4OSA from Schouwen-Duiveland (EU-146, ARLHS NET-029), April 7-14th. QSL via ON4OSA (QRZ.com). [Tnx 425 DX News]

07/04/2007: Pavel, RZ3FR will be active April 7th as RZ3FR/3 from District TV-08 (Kashin City), Tverskaya oblast (TV). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

07/04/2007: Look for John, DJ6JH to be QRV holiday style as TA4/DJ6JH from Turkey, April 7-13th. He plans to be mainly active in RTTY and PSK31 on 20-10m. QSL via home call. [Tnx NG3K]

07/04/2007: If you have any interest in a contact or QSL from some of the Texas lighthouses: Barry, WA5DTK, will be operating from multiple lighthouses and range lights on the Texas Gulf Coast (Galveston-Corpus Christi) including participation in the ARLHS Spring Lights QSO Party. 14.270, 7.260, 21.370, 3.970-90, 14.035, 7.035, 146.58 (FM simplex). Special efforts will be made on Apr 7-8 (Saturday/Sunday) and Apr 14 (Saturday) to be on 40 mtrs at 1500z, 1800z and 2000z, 75 mtrs at 0200z. QSL to Callbook/QRZ address. [Tnx WA5DTK]

07/04/2007: Saad, N5FF will once again be active as YK1BA. He is expected to arrive in Damascus during the evening of April 9th and should be active between April 10-27th, before returning home to Texas on the 28th. Saad informs OPDX, "As usual, the purpose of the trip is not a DXpedition, so my operating will be spotty. However, I hope to be able to operate at least 3-4 hours a day. With the current band conditions and my typical operating times, I suspect that I will spend most of my radio time on 30, 40, and 80 metres. However, I will operate on whatever band (80-10m) and mode that have the best propagation at the time. Most probable operating times are between 2000-2300z or between 0200-0500 UTC, and possibly some occasional activities between 1200-1400z. I will be active on SSB, CW, and RTTY." QSL via N5FF. [Tnx OPDX]

08/04/2007: Matthias, DL1JMS/p plans to activate Kleiner Winterberg (SOTA DM/SA-011, 836m, 8 points, WW Loc. JO51HS), Saxonia-Anhalt region. Activity will start around 1000z on 7.115-ssb and 144-ssb. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

08/04/2007: Weather dependent, Laurent, F8BBL/p plans to activate For?t de Vieillecourt (SOTA F/SO-001, 475m, 1 point, WW Loc. JN05MN), Sud Ouest region. Activity will start around 0830z on 7.032-cw, 10.118-cw and 14.060-cw. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

08/04/2007: Fons/ON4AWT and Win/ON8VD will be QRV April 8-13th as PA/homecall from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146). Look for activity on SSB, CW and digital modes on all HF bands, SSB on VHF. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

10/04/2007: Operators Ela/DL1TM and Tor/DJ4MG will be active as OZ/homecall from Island of Vendsyssel-Thy, Nordjylland Island (EU-171, NJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award), Denmark, April 10-26th. Activity will be on 160/80/40/20/17/15 metres and VHF 2m SSB. Their favored operating time and frequencies are: During the Central Europe's daytimes on 40m and 20m on SSB, but 20m mostly somewhere around 14260 kHz. QSL via home callsign (QRZ.com addresses). [Tnx OPDX]

12/04/2007: Fran?ois, F8DVD will be QRV April 12-23rd as JW/F8DVD from the Longyearbyen radio club facilities, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA LH-0125, WW Loc. JQ78TF). Activity is scheduled for all bands SSB and CW, with IC-751 and 500 Watt PA, 5 elements beam on a 100 feet tower. QSL via home call, via bureau or dirtect (SAE + 1 IRC or 1 USD for EU, 2 USD outside of Europe). [Tnx F5NQL]

13/04/2007: IT9ABY, IT9IAS, IT9TFX, IT9YMM, IW9HIK and possibily IT9BLB will be active as IE9/IQ9PA from Isola di Ustica (EU-051, IIA PA-001, WLOTA LH-0848), April 13-15th. QSL direct to IT9TQH. [Tnx 425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD

21/04/2007: Look for Tom, DL4VM, to be QRV as OZ/DL4VM/QRP from Sams? Island (EU-172, JY-008 for the Danish Islands Award, also count for WLOTA LH-0726) from April 21st to May 5th. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 15 metre CW only, running 5 watts. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

25/04/2007: Operators Andy/IZ0EHO, Vincenzo/IZ0FKE, Simone/IZ0BTV, and Markus/OH1MN will be QRV April 25-29th as OH10TA from Parainen Island (EU-096). They plan to be active on all bands, WARC included. QSL via OH10TA (QRZ.com). Further information can be found at: www.oh10ta.com/ [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

07/09/2007: Ulli, DL2AH will be active from the South Pacific starting September 29th. His schedule is as follows: September 29th to October 12th he will be QRV from Niue Island (ZK2, OC-040); October 17-30th from Chatham Island (ZL7, OC-038); and November 1-14th from Norfolk Island (VK9N, OC-005). Ulli will use a FT897 with loop antennas for 40-10m, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. [Tnx NG3K]

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LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVATIONS

07/04-13/04 F5SGI/P: Groix Island WLOTA:0050 QSL H/C (d/b)
07/04 KA3UNQ/P: Goat Island ARLHS:USA-548 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
07/04 KA3UNQ/P: Rose Island ARLHS:USA-703 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
07/04 KA3UNQ/P: Gull Rocks ARLHS:USA-362 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
07/04 KA3UNQ/P: LV Brenton Reef ARLHS:USA-1129 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
07/04 KA3UNQ/P: Brenton Reef Tower ARLHS:USA-082 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
07/04 KA3UNQ/P: Ida Lewis Rock ARLHS:USA-398 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
07/04-14/04 PA/ON4OSA: Schouwen-Duiveland ARLHS:NET-029 QSL H/C (d/b)
08/04 KA3UNQ/P: Beavertail ARLHS:USA-043 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
08/04 KA3UNQ/P: Whale Rock ARLHS:USA-883 (H) QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
08/04 KA3UNQ/P: Dutch Island ARLHS:USA-250 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
08/04 KA3UNQ/P: Plum Beach ARLHS:USA-604 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
09/04 KA3UNQ/P: Bristol Ferry ARLHS:USA-087 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
09/04 KA3UNQ/P: Hog Island Shoal ARLHS:USA-373 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
09/04 KA3UNQ/P: Prudence Island ARLHS:USA-373 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
09/04 KA3UNQ/P: Hog Island Shoal ARLHS:USA-675 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
09/04 KA3UNQ/P: Sakonnet Point ARLHS:USA-718 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)
12/04-23/04 JW/F8DVD: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL H/C (d/b)
13/04-15/04 IE9/IQ9PA: Isola di Ustica WLOTA:0848 QSL IT9TQH (d/b)

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SPECIAL EVENTS

05/04/2007: The Blackwood & District Amateur Radio Society is operating GB6GW at various times between April 1st and December 31st to celebrate its 75th anniversary. A special QSL card will be available via GW0TKX (QRZ.com). [Tnx GB2RS]

06/04/2007: Special event station 8J1FB is currently active until April 15th to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Bunkyo-city. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

06/04/2007: Special call sign 8J10YRP is currently active until December 31st to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Establishment of the Yokosuka Research Park Amateur Radio Club (JN1YRP), Hikarinooka Yokosuka, Kanagawa, Japan (JCC #1102). QSL via JN1YRP, through the JARL bureau. Further information at: www.qsl.net/jn1yrp/index.html [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

06/04/2007: Special event station 8N7TU is currently active until December 31st to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Tohoku University. They will automatically send their QSL card via the bureau for each contact, except for direct requests. You need not send them your QSLs. Further information can be found at: www.ja7yaa.org.tohoku.ac.jp/8n7tu/index-en.html [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

06/04/2007: John/M0XIG and John/G4POF will air special event station GB2BST being held at Bramshaw in the New Forest between April 6-9th and commemorates the fact that it is 200 years since the shutter telegraph first operated at this site. During the Napoleonic wars the Bramshaw Shutter Telegraph was one of a number that operated as a communication link for the Admiralty between London and Plymouth. There was already a system in place

between London and Portsmouth and in 1805 this line was started to connect with Plymouth. The exact date of when the work as completed isn't known, but is believed to be soon after 4th May 1806, as there is a report on this date stating the line was almost ready. The original site of the Telegraph Station is believed to be very close to Hope Cottage on Telegraph Hill. Telegraph Hill is one of the highest points of the forest and is a fine open site with excellent views to the west. There is more information on the shutter telegraph at the Royal Signals Museum in Blandford. The Grid Locator for this station is IO90DW, ITU Zone:27 and CQ Zone:14. QSL via M0XIG, direct (please enclose a SASE or return postage costs in the form of IRC or green stamp) or by the bureau. [Tnx www.qrz.com/gb2bst]

06/04/2007: Special event call sign GB2FIC will be aired April 6th to May 3rd from the Bridge Wireless Office, HMS Belfast (GB2RN) to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Falkland Islands Conflict and to remember those who lost their lives. QSL via the RSGB bureau only. A special QSL card will be printed to confirm all contacts. [Tnx RNARS]

06/04/2007: To commemorate the 95th anniversary of the sinking of Titanic, ham radio operators worldwide will be running special event stations. The COBRAS - GI2BX / GI-21131 are hosting the Belfast side of the Titanic celebrations on the air with GB2MGY on April 14th and 15th. Several COBRAS members are also ISWL members so listen for the different operators, as you may pick up a few extra Monitor Award Points. [Tnx ISWL]

07/04/2007: The Flight Refuelling ARS (FRARS) is operating special event station GB2FRA from April 7th to May 4th to mark its 25th anniversary. Activity will be on HF, VHF and UHF using CW, SSB and FM. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx GB2RS]

27/04/2007: Special event call sign 8N0M100A will be aired between April 29th and October 31st to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Matsumoto-city. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/05/2007: Special event station 8J8JTG will be aired between May and June, 2007, to celebrate the 2007 Joho Tsushin Gekkan (or Information Telecommunication Month). QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

Be sure to check the U.S.A. special event station listing at www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

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U.S. COUNTIES (USA-CA)

07/04/2007: Jim, N9JF/m will be active SSB and CW on April 7th from the following Missouri counties (USA-CA), starting about 1900z: Marion, Ralls, Monroe, Shelby, Macon, Linn, Sullivan, Putnam, Schuyler, Adair, Scotland, Knox, Clark and Lewis. Send email requests to jfunk -at- ocsbb.net [Tnx County Hunter Web]

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World Amateur Radio Day 2007 Award -

A new amateur radio award has been launched to commemorate the World Amateur Radio Day celebrated by the International Amateur Radio Union on 18 April each year.

The WARD 2007 Award - as it is called - is the brainchild of the Polish Radio Amateurs? Journal. It is also supported by the Polish Amateur Radio Union.

The award is available for either 10 QSOs on the HF bands or five QSOs on the VHF bands. All contacts must be made between 0000 and 2400UTC on 18 April 2007. The award is also available to SWLs for the same numbers of reports. Further information at: ward.radio.org.pl/ [Tnx PZK]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave - VA3RJ

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